

the opportunity to prepare for this bill and I think Senator DeCamp and everybody else knows that it requires some time to prepare for a major piece of legislation like this so he ought to put it off for at least two weeks before you advance it. Like they say, have the fair trial. Then hang the person. So I would object to its being set for Monday, the 20th, and I would move to amend his recommendation, or whatever it is he has made, to at least two weeks from the 20th, March 6th would be the specific date.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: You offer that as an amendment to the DeCamp motion. Senator Chambers offers an amendment to the DeCamp motion to set it for special order on March 6th. At this time, you could set it for two hours at that date, if you would want to, because there is none other set for that date. Do you wish to speak to the amendment, Senator Dworak? The Chair recognizes Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: I rise in support of Senator Chambers' amendment. I think it is a bill of extreme ramifications to the citizens of the State of Nebraska. I think the opponents, who I am convinced at this time are few in number, really need this time to put together arguments on this bill. I think it is very important with the nature of the bill that these arguments be put in the record as part of the record for possible future litigations that could result from this bill and I think to try to jam this and ram this any faster than we are jamming and ramming it now would be a terrible mistake and I think with the Speaker's desire to expedite this session and get some of these things moving, to put a bill that could have the roadblocks that this bill would have in procedure would be very much against the orderly process of the fine spirit we have begun on this year and I would strongly urge you in all fairness to support Senator Chambers' amendment to Senator DeCamp's amendment.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, this isn't any big surprise now. It has been bracketed for this date for a long time. It has been bracketed so don't tell me you need two weeks notice. You have had that. Okay, last year, products liability was before the Legislature. Over the summer, Senator Chambers had a number of hearings on it. I had, I don't know, how many number of hearings. We know it is a major issue. We know we have to face it. A lot of people have studied it. They have reached a conclusion to support one concept or another. We may have to have some amendments. It may not pass. Heck, I don't know but this is a stall tactic and a way to try to avoid the whole issue and try to kill it and I know it and I think you know it. Now as I say, it was bracketed for this date already. All I am doing is saying is the Speaker order would take it up on that day following that Omaha sales tax thing. Now that doesn't seem too unreasonable. As I say, it was already bracketed. This isn't any big surprise. This isn't any surprise at all. And if we don't address the issue, I have got a funny feeling those who oppose it, trial attorneys, or a certain limited segment of trial attorneys, they are trying to barricade it. Well, I don't think it should be barricaded. That is what happened last year, you remember. That is what happened last